

GAY AND LESBIAN COMMUNITY CENTRE NEWS LETTER JUNE 1993

Off Centre - from the Board

Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sports Association is now holding meetings at G.L.C.C.E to organize Team Edmonton for the Gay Games and Cultural Festival IV in New York. The group meets the last Sunday every month at 7 p.m.

Gay and Lesbian Awareness (GALA) is using the boardroom at boardroom to hold their meetings.

Edmonton Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) can be reached at the Community Centre where they have a mail box.

Pink Triangle Youth Group meets at the Centre, Saturdays at 8 p.m.-10 p.m. P-TYE phone line at the Centre is 488-1574.

The Board members attended a strategic Planning Session May 29 and 30 held in the boardroom of the AIDS Network. Through the weekend we worked on team-building and gained professional direction and focus on long and short term goals.

Candice Hood represented GLCCE at the Women's Lobby Day at the Legislature on May 17. ASWAC organized the event, an opportunity to question representatives of the three major parties.

Mayor Jan Reimer proclaimed June 26, Lesbian and Gay Pride Day as requested by the Pride '93 Committee. This is the first civically recognized Pride Day in Edmonton.

Unity '94 T-shirts, sponsored by Boystown, will be on sale during Pride '93 at all GLCCE events with money going to Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sport and Leisure fund and GLCCE. Shirts cost \$22, GLCCE members \$20.

Thanks for all the hard work and commitment to volunteers, peer counsellors and hosts. Of course we can always use more help - so that the work is shared evenly. If you can spare some energy during Pride '93 June 18-27 please call us! See you during Pride!

David Hicks
co-chair GLCCE

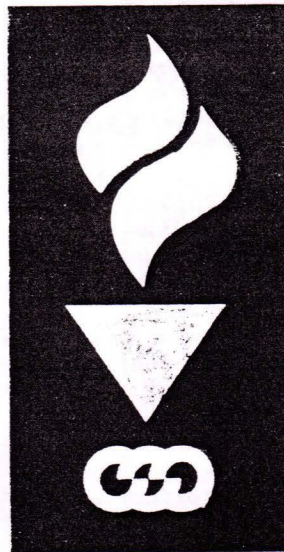
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Into Games? Join Team Edmonton

It's time to get active. The 1994 Gay Games IV and Cultural Festival are fast approaching and Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sports Association is looking for participants, spectators, musicians...anybody interested in supporting the games in anyway.

The Games in New York, June 17-24 1994, will be a fantastic opportunity to be involved in the worlds largest and most exciting celebration of gay and lesbian community.

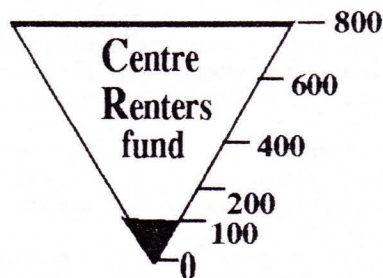
You don't have to be a world class athlete to compete in the games. You don't have to be an athlete at all - artists are invited to attend this massive cultural festival.



Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sports Association has been organized to get the ball in motion, but we need your help! Our purpose is raise Games awareness, organize fundraisers and events to send "Team Edmonton", cultural participants and spectators to New York City. It is also our intention to maintain the momentum of the Association to establish a support system for all lesbian and gay sporting teams events.

To get involved with Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sports Association our next meeting is June 27, 7 p.m. at the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre. Call Ken at 439-7414.

Off to a good start but fund needs help



The Centre Renters fund is at \$95 a month. This is a good start for the fund that will supply the \$800 each month to ensure that the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre's doors stay open, phone keeps ringing, and coffee keeps perking.

If the Centre Renters group is successful GLCCE would be able to use other contributions and money raised to improve the library and implement other Centre programs, rather than scrambling to make the rent every month.

Become a Centre Renter by making a financial commitment of \$10 to \$50 dollars a month, for a year, given in the form of post-dated checks made out to Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton. Checks can be mailed, left at the Centre for the treasurer or call G.L.C.C.E at 488-3234.

And then there's Maud's! Documentary on world's oldest lesbian bar plays at the Princess

Last Call at Maud's, a documentary about the longest surviving lesbian bar in the world, makes its Canadian premiere at the Princess Theatre June 10-13 as part of the "Grazing on Film Festival".

Maud's was described in the Princess Theatre's press release as down down-to-earth watering hole, nestled in San Francisco's Haight-Ashbury since 1966. The documentary explores various facets of lesbian history from 1940's to the present. The bar's owner Rikki Striecher, tells us about her introduction to women's bars during World War II. Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon, founders of the Daughters of Bilitis (world's first international lesbian organization) describe the pre-Stonewall realities of bar raids and the climate of fear.

The use of interviews, rare home movies and historical archives make this a must see piece of lesbian history.

The film plays June 10 at 7 p.m., June 11 at 9:30 p.m., June 12 at 7 p.m., and June 13 at 9:30 p.m.

THANKS JAN!

Edmonton Mayor proclaims first Gay and Lesbian Pride Day - June 26

EDMONTON - Edmonton Mayor Jan Reimer has proclaimed June 26, 1993 as Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Pride Day in response to a request by Edmonton's Pride '93 Committee. Mayor Reimer stated in a letter that accompanied a framed proclamation that "Dignity and respect for all people, without discrimination based on sexual orientation, is an important goal for a free and democratic society."

Some public response to the proclamation signed on May 5th has been negative. Calls to the Citizens Action Line at city hall have been more opposed than supportive. Edmonton Alderman Ron Hayter said, in a story in the Edmonton Journal, the mayor should not have undertaken a controversial proclamation, that council should have voted.

Alderman Allan Bostad, Terry Cavanaugh, Sheila McKay and Ron Hayter told Edmonton's media they opposed the day and didn't think the city should be promoting homosexuality.

"Dignity and respect for all people, without discrimination based on sexual orientation, is an important goal for a free and democratic society."

- Jan Reimer

Mayor Reimer told the Edmonton Journal that "It's important to recognize it as a human rights issue," and that it is consistent with the city's equal opportunities policy that protects against discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Alderman Micheal Phair applauded Reimer when quoted in the Edmonton Journal on May 28 "That's what leadership is all about. It's always easier to take the safe, quiet road and do nothing." The 20 calls his office received were 75% positive. Phair is Edmonton's first openly gay alderman, representing Ward 4, an area of diverse population which includes the downtown Oliver area where the largest concentration of lesbian and gay Edmontonians live. He was elected October of 1992.



Mayor Reimer

The Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton thanked Mayor Reimer in a letter stating "The leadership you have displayed on this issue demonstrates that you understand the problems the lesbian and gay community face. We are glad you recognize our community as part of the city you represent."

Past mayors Laurence Decore (now head of the Alberta Liberal party) and Terry Cavanaugh (now Alderman) would not proclaim a 'Pride Day' and turned the matter over to Edmonton City council. In May of 1992 the Edmonton City Council voted to turn the matter of declaring lesbian and gay pride day back to the Mayor. Mayor Reimer was on holiday in June 1992 and acting Mayor Sheila McKay refused to proclaim the day requested by the Pride '92 steering committee.

Pride celebrations have been held every June in Edmonton for over ten years, under names "Gay and Lesbian Awareness Week" and "Gay Day Anyway".

Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Pride Day 1993 will be marked by a rally at McIntyre Park and parade down Whyte Avenue organized by the Gay and Lesbian Awareness. A picnic organized by Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Edmonton will follow at Queen Elizabeth Park.

"A Family of Pride" is theme for Pride '93

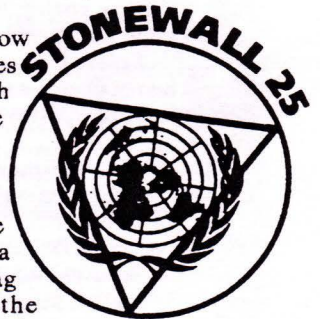
A Family of Pride is the theme for Edmonton's Gay and Lesbian Pride '93. These ten days of activities June 18 through June 27 celebrate the June 27th anniversary of the Stonewall riots in New York, a day recognized across North America as the beginning of gay and lesbian socio-political awakening. Canadian lesbians and gays continue to challenge the courts, their governments and public misconceptions to be recognized as families (and people) and enjoy the same rights, benefits and freedom from discrimination as other Canadians. Terms like "family values" are used by some to exclude lesbians and gays. "A Family of Pride" restates that we are and have families, by birth and by choice.

25th Anniversary of Stonewall Riots in New York 1994

On Sunday, June 26, 1994 over a million lesbians, gays, bisexuals and their supporters will converge on New York for the International March on The United Nations to affirm the Human rights of Lesbians and Gay people.

The full rainbow of our communities will mark the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion. We commemorate the evenings of June 27-28 1969 when a small band of drag queens came to the aid of their dyke sister when she refused to enter the police van outside the Stonewall Inn. They were soon joined by a crowd of over 300 young gays, lesbians and street people who fought back against the cops and set off three days of street protests known as the "Stonewall Riots". Stonewall has been the inspiration for lesbian, gay and bisexual people around the world.

If you are in New York for the Gay Games IV plan to attend the Stonewall 25 march!



What, where and when... all the events that are part of Pride '93

On Friday, June 18 Pride '93 kicks-off with a **reception at Latitude 53** art gallery at 10137-104 St. exhibiting "Drawing the Line: lesbian sexual politics on the wall", a display of 100 black and white lesbian photographs ranging from least controversial to most controversial, inviting written comment on the walls around the photos. Northern Chaps leather and levi organization, host a **Meet N' Greet for Mr. Alberta Drummer** contestants and spectators at Boots and Saddles, 10242 106 St.

On Saturday, an **"Eroticizing Safer Sex" workshop** for men starts at 12:30 p.m. at the AIDS Network of Edmonton, #201 11456 Jasper Ave. In the evening attend the **Lesbigay Dance** at Bonnie Doon Community League at 9240 93 St. 8 p.m. hosted by Womonspace lesbian social group and the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton (G.L.C.C.E.). A **silent auction** by the HIV Society will be held at the dance. Also on Saturday evening the **Mr. Alberta Drummer Contest** is 7:30 p.m. at the Phoenix Theatre, 9638 101A Ave. Tickets are \$12. On Sunday, Vision Unitarian church group is hosting the **Sunday morning service** at 12530 110 Ave. The location and time of the **Mr. Northern Alberta Drummer Sunday Brunch** will be announced at the contest, Saturday evening. From 1 - 5 p.m. the **LesBiGay Business Fair** is open at the Inn on 7th, 10001 107 St. This fair is an opportunity to see the products, services and resources available to the lesbian, bisexual and gay community. Admission is \$2.

Monday, June 21 through Wednesday, June 23, G.L.C.C.E sponsors a **Queer Sightings Film festival**. The festival opens at the Zeidler Hall, 9828 101A Ave. at 7 p.m. June 22 and 23 will feature two films each evening, 7 and 9 p.m., at Colin Lowe Theater, in the NFB at Canada Place, 9700 Jasper Ave. Admission is \$7 per showing, \$5 for

G.L.C.C.E members. Thursday, June 24 is Occhiali's art show **"Pride without Prejudice: an evening of artful inspirations"** at 10416 82 Ave at 8 p.m. Womonspace host an evening of "Live Music at Boystown" 10116 124 St. starting at 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. This is a free event.

Friday, June 25 is **"Mo-Town: a Unity '94" benefit dance** at the Dance Factory, 10147 104 St. A **"Summer Solstice Dance" for women** is at Riverdale Community Hall 9231 100 Ave at 8:30 p.m. Sponsored by Edmonton Women's Music Collective admission is \$7 on a sliding scale.

Saturday, June 26 is **Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Pride Day**. Gay and Lesbian Awareness civil rights group (GALA) is organizing a **rally** at McIntyre (Gazebo) Park in Old Strathcona and a **parade** down Whyte Avenue. A **Pride Day picnic** run by Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) is after the rally in Queen Elizabeth Park.

That evening attend **"Voices of Pride" Pride Day Concert** hosted by Vocal Minority at Convocation Hall, University of Alberta. This concert features "Comfortable Shoes" and the "Dance Theatre of Canada" Tickets are \$7 - \$10, \$13 at the door.

Sunday at 10 a.m. you can walk, run, roll or cycle on Kinsmen Park River Valley Bike Path in the **Pride-a-thon** to raise money for the Lesbian and Gay Sport and Leisure fund and Pink Triangle Youth Group. Pride '93 ends with a **Wrap-up Party at Boots and Saddles** at 10242 106 St.

Boystown Cafe Gallery 10116 124 St. and Cafe La Gare 8104 103 St. will display work by gay and lesbian artists during Pride '93.

The Gay Men's Outreach Crew from the AIDS Network will have information booths at many events.

PRIDE '93 ART SHOWS

Latitude 53 Gallery presents:
Drawing The Line: lesbian sexual politics on the wall.
at Latitude 53 Gallery, 10137 104 Street, 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Occhiali Eyewear and Gallery presents:
Pride without Prejudice: an evening of artful inspirations at Occhiali, 10416 82 Avenue, 8 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Please confirm your attendance before June 22 by calling 433-6759.

Boystown Cafe and Gallery presents:
Works by Debbie Hovstad.
at Boystown Cafe and Gallery, 10116 124 Street

Cafe La Gare presents:
at La Gare Smoking 10380a 81 Ave.
Works by Edmund Haakanson
at La Gare Smokefree 8104 103 Street
Works by Carol Johnstone

Professionals speak at LesBiGay Business Fair

A real estate agent, a lawyer, a travel agent and a financial planner will speak to the needs of lesbigay community at the first annual LesBiGay Business Fair Sunday, June 20, 1993 at the Inn on 7th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The fair, part of Gay and Lesbian Pride '93, is an opportunity for members of the lesbian, bisexual and gay community to see the products, services and resources available to them. Businesses, organizations and individual can promote their services and products to a significant portion of the population.

Lawyer Sheila Mann will speak about a variety a legal issues relevant to the lesbigay community. Warren Hurt, a real estate agent with NRS will discuss buying property. Lois Hole of Holes Greenhouses and Gardens will talk about how to make our plants and yards look their best. Wayne Farrell, a travel agent with Way-Vin Travel, will tell us what is available for holiday destinations. Speaker times will be listed on posters at Boystown, The Roost, Boots and Saddle and along Whyte Avenue.

Businesses are being charged a nominal display fee, and admission is \$2 for the public, children get in free. Proceeds will go towards the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton general operating fund. For further information, contact Rick at 474-1094.

PRIDE '93 LIVE MUSIC

Womonspace and Boystown present:
Live Music at Boystown
with Lorelei Loveridge
Thursday, June 24
10116 124 Street, 7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Admission is free to this Gay and Lesbian Pride '93 event.

Edmonton Vocal Minority presents:
Voices of Pride Concert
featuring the Dance Theatre of Canada and Comfortable Shoes
Saturday, June 26 at 8 p.m.
at Convocation Hall, (olds Arts Building) U of A Campus.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 9

The Princess Theatre's Grazing on Film Festival presents the film "Damned in the U.S.A." This documentary on censorship by British filmmaker Paul Yule features The Robert Mapplethorpe Photographs, Lou Reed, Madonna, and 2 Live Crew.

Thursday, June 10

The Princess Theatre's Grazing on Film Festival Presents the Canadian Premiere of "Last Call at Maud's" a documentary about the longest surviving lesbian bar in the world. 7 p.m. at 10337 Whyte Ave.

Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio. Call CJSR at 492-7528.

Support group for Families and Friends of those with HIV/AIDS. Call the AIDS Network at 488-3735 for information.

Friday, June 11

The Princess Theatre's Grazing on Film Festival presents "Last Call at Maud's" a documentary about the longest surviving lesbian bar in the world. 9:30 p.m. at 10337 Whyte Avenue.

Fine Feathered Friends Badminton at Oliver Elementary School, 10210-117 St. \$1 admission fee. Call 423-6636 for further information.

Saturday, June 12

The Princess Theatre's Grazing on Film Festival presents "Last Call at Maud's" a documentary about the longest surviving lesbian bar in the world. 7 p.m. at 10337 Whyte Avenue.

Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday evening at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.

Girl Crazy Dance at the Dance Factory, 10147 104 Street, doors at 10 p.m. \$6 with no invite, \$2 before Midnite with invite, \$4 after midnight with invite. Invites are everywhere!

Sunday, June 13

Last day of "Last Call at Maud's" a documentary about the longest surviving lesbian bar in the world. 9:30 p.m. the Princess Theatre, 10337 Whyte Avenue.

Edmonton Frontrunners lesbigay running group meets every Sunday at 3 p.m. in front of Kinsmen Sports Centre.

Call Brian at 488-9082.

Integrity: Gay and Lesbian Anglicans meeting is the second Sunday every month. Call Wayne for more information.

Edmonton Prime Timers: social organization for Gay and Bi men 40 and older meets the second Sunday of every month at the Unitarian Church, 12530 110 Ave at 2 p.m.

Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 - 4 p.m. every Sunday. Non-singers who will help organize or staff events are welcome. Call Lorna at 454-3482 or David at 424-1561.

Metropolitan Community Church: Non-denominational group for lesbians and gays to worship every Sunday at 7:15 p.m. at the Unitarian Building 126 Street and 110 Ave.

Tuesday, June 15

Memorial service at the AIDS Network Boardroom to honor those who have died since February 1993 or prior. 7:30 p.m. at #201 11456 Jasper Ave.

The Shotgun Dancers meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

Wednesday, June 16

AIDS Network of Edmonton Society annual general meeting, 7:30 p.m. at Unitarian Church, 12530 110 Ave.

Thursday, June 17

Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio. Call CJSR at 492-7528.

Support group for Families and Friends of those with HIV/AIDS. Call the AIDS Network at 488-3735 for information.

Friday, June 18

PRIDE EVENT: Reception at Latitude 53 Gallery's exhibit of Drawing the Line: lesbian sexual politics on the wall" 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. 10137 104 St.

PRIDE EVENT: Mr. Alberta Drummer Meet N' Greet 10 p.m. at Boots and Saddle Bar, 10242 106 St. **The Roost: Kick-off Party,** country downstairs, disco upstairs. Die-Nasty show at 11 p.m. downstairs. Admittance free with stamp from Latitude 53 reception or Mr. Drummer event I.D. **Fine Feathered Friends Badminton** at

The Gay and Lesbian Community Centre is open Monday through Friday evenings 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Wednesday afternoons 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Drop-in for a coffee, to check out the books and magazines or to see what's happening on the bulletin board. Peer counseling is also available. **GLCCE 488-3234**

Oliver Elementary School, 10210-117 St. \$1 admission fee. Call 423-6636 for further information.

Saturday, June 19

PRIDE EVENT: Eroticizing Safe Sex Workshop for gay and bisexual men, 12:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. in the boardroom at the AIDS Network of Edmonton, #201 11456 Jasper Ave. Call 988-3671.

PRIDE EVENT: Mr. Alberta Drummer Contest - A Hot Time in Festival City. 7:30 p.m. at Phoenix Theatre Downtown, 9636 101A Ave. Tickets \$12 advance, \$15 door.

PRIDE EVENT: LesBiGay Dance presented by Womonspace and G.L.C.C.E. at Bonnie Doon Hall, 9240 93 St. 8 p.m. Tickets \$8 at door \$5 for members of womonspace and G.L.C.C.E. **Pink Triangle Youth** meets every Saturday at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m. **The Roost: Uniform Party,** country downstairs, megamix nu tunes upstairs, leather or uniform wearers in free.

Sunday, June 20

PRIDE EVENT: VISIONS host the morning service at the Unitarian Church, 12530 110 Ave. at 10:30 a.m.

PRIDE EVENT: LesBiGay Business Fair 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Inn on Seventh, 10001 107 St. \$2 admission.

PRIDE EVENT: Mr. Alberta Drummer Brunch at 15540 Stony Plain Road, 11 a.m. Tickets \$12, \$8 advance.

PRIDE EVENT: Metropolitan Community Church of Edmonton Potluck, 5 p.m. with a service to follow at 7:15 p.m. at 12530 110 Ave.

The Roost: Pride Patio Party and Barbeque, doors at 6 p.m., old disco tunes all night. Free before 8 p.m. to baseball people or with a stamp from the LesBiGay Business Fair.

VOTE on June 15/Pride '93 June 18-27/AGRA rodeo July 2-4

Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 - 4 p.m. every Sunday. Lorna at 454-3482.
Edmonton Frontrunners lesbian/gay running group meets every Sunday at 3 p.m. in front of Kinsmen Sports Centre. Call Brian at 488-9082.

Monday, June 21

PRIDE EVENT: "Queer Sightings Film Festival" sponsored by G.L.C.C.E. opens tonight, 7 p.m. at the Citadel Zeidler Hall 9828 101A Ave. Canadian video maker Maureen Bradley will appear with four of her works: *Queer Across Canada*; *Safe Sex is Hot Sex*; *She Thrills Me*; *We're Here, We're Queer*; *We're Fabulous*. A reception will follow. Tickets \$7, \$5 at G.L.C.C.E. for members.

Latitude 53 Gallery presents a panel discussion "Censorship and Sexual Imagery", 7:30 p.m. at 10137 104 St.
The Roost: Pub Nite with Karaoke & p.m. to midnight, dance laterite. Queer Sightings Film Festival programs get you in free.

Tuesday, June 22

PRIDE EVENT: "Queer Sightings Film Festival" sponsored by G.L.C.C.E. moves to the NFB Colin Lowe Theatre 9700 Jasper Ave. for two showings 7 and 9 p.m. of the films - *Gay Youth*/P. Walton 46 min.; *Disco Years*/B. King 27 min.; *No Regrets*/M. Riggs 30 min. Tickets \$7, \$5 at G.L.C.C.E. for members.

The Shotgun Dancers meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. - 11 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

The Roost: The Boys Club (womyn are welcome) - popular dance after 11 p.m., male stripper at midnight. Queer Sightings Film Festival programs get you in free.

Wednesday, June 23

PRIDE EVENT: "Queer Sightings Film Festival" sponsored by G.L.C.C.E. last night at the NFB Colin Lowe Theatre 9700 Jasper Ave. for two showings 7 and 9 p.m. of the films - *Loverville*/B. Zachary 6 min.; *Changing Our Minds: the Story of Evelyn Hooker*/75 min. Tickets \$7, \$5 at G.L.C.C.E. for members.

The Roost: Kristy's Talent Show Finals - 11 p.m., Hump Day Party - classic tune and dance floor fun. Queer Sightings Film Festival programs get you in free.

Thursday, June 24

PRIDE EVENT: Live Music at Boystown featuring Lorelei Loveridge by Womonspace, 7 - 9:30 p.m. at Boystown Cafe 10116 124 St. Free admission!

PRIDE EVENT: "Pride Without Prejudice: an evening of artful inspirations" Art show hosted by Occhiali at 10416 82 Ave. 8-11 p.m. To attend please call 433-6759 before June 22 to confirm.

Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio. Call CJSR at 492-7528.

The Roost: Alternative Animal Nite - a Saturday Nite Dance Craze in the mid-week.

Support group for Families and Friends of those with HIV/AIDS. Call the AIDS Network at 488-3735 for information.

Friday, June 25

PRIDE EVENT: Mo-Town: Boy-O-Boy/Girl Crazy dance 10147 104 St. at 10 p.m. Tickets are \$5 advance, \$8 at the door to this benefit for Team Edmonton Gay and lesbian Sports and Liesure Association for Gay Games IV.

PRIDE EVENT: Summer Solstice Dance for Womyn only at Riverdale Community Hall, 9231 100 Ave. 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7 sliding scale.

The WORKS, Edmonton's Art Festival June 25-July 7 at locations throughout downtown Edmonton.

Fine Feathered Friends Badminton at Oliver Elementary School, 10210-117 St. \$1 admission fee. Call 423-6636 for further information.

The Roost: T.G.I.Fags! Neon live downstairs at 11 p.m. Usual Dance Craze upstairs at 10 p.m. View "Faces of Life" upstairs 6 p.m. - 10 p.m., part of The Works art festival.

Saturday, June 26

PRIDE EVENT: Gay and Lesbian Pride Day Parade and Rally organized by GALA, 1:30 p.m. at McIntyre Gazebo Park, 83 Ave. and 104 St.

PRIDE EVENT: Pride Day Picnic hosted by PFLAG after the rally at Queen Elizabeth Park, 89 Ave. and 106 St.

PRIDE EVENT: "Voices Of Pride" Vocal Minority Concert featuring Comfortable Shoes and The Dance Theatre of Canada, 8p.m. at Convocation Hall, U of A Campus. Tickets \$7-10 advance, \$13 door.

Pink Triangle Youth meets every

Saturday at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.
The Roost: Stonewall Dance - New 4 Yu tunes upstairs at 10 p.m. "Leah, life is a drag" lip sinc show at 11 p.m. downstairs. In free before 11 p.m. with "Voices of Pride" program.

Sunday, May 27

PRIDE EVENT: Pride-a-thon at Kinsmen Park Field House west parking lot, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Raise money for Pink Triangle Youth group and Gay and Lesbian Sports and Liesure Association.
PRIDE EVENT: Lesbian and Gay Pride '93 Wrap-Up Party at Boots and Saddle, 10242 106 St. Womyn and men welcome.

Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sports Association organizing for Unity '94 IV Gay Games meets at G.L.C.C.E. #104 11745 Jasper Ave. at 7 p.m.

Vocal Minority Choral group meets for rehearsal at the Alberta Theatre Arts Centre, 2nd Flr. 10309 - 107 St. from 2 - 4 p.m. every Sunday. David at 424-1561.
The Roost: That's All Folks - Patio Barbeque. Doors at 6 p.m. Old disco tunes. Everyone in free before 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 29

The Shotgun Dancers meet every Tuesday at 9 p.m. at the Roost Rumpusroom, 10345-104 St.

Thursday, July 1

Gaywire Radio Show on CJSR FM 88.5/Cable 104.7 at 6 p.m. Mighty real radio. Call CJSR at 492-7528.

Friday, July 2

Boots and Saddle: Northern Chaps Pub Night - 9 p.m. till whenever at 10242 106 St. the first and third Friday of every month.

Saturday, July 3

Canadian National Gay Rodeo in Calgary presented by Alberta Gay Rodeo Association. Dinner and dance afterward. Call Gay Lines Calgary 1-403-234-8973 for information.

Pink Triangle Youth meets every Saturday at G.L.C.C.E. at 8 - 10 p.m.

Sunday, July 4

Womonspace monthly board meeting at 7:30 p.m., basement of 9930 106 St.

AIDS message heeded by gay, bisexual men according to men's survey

Toronto - Gay and bisexual men are heeding the message of AIDS prevention. A national survey of 4803 gay and bisexual men showed that more than 75% of men who have sex with men consistently practice safer sex. The survey was released May 6 by the Canadian AIDS Society (CAS) along with researchers from the University of Toronto and Laval University.

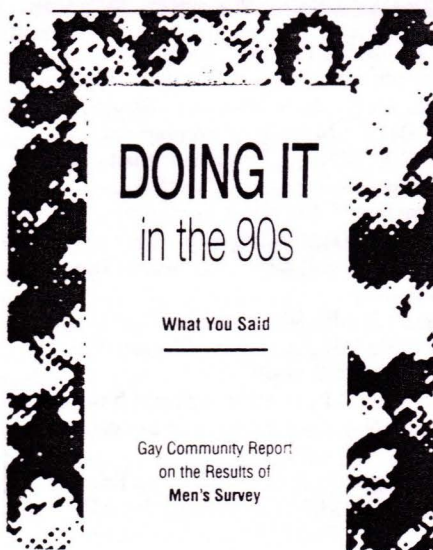
Rene Raymond, Chair of CAS said "the results of this survey, the first of its kind in Canada, show that significant change has taken place in gay and bisexual men's attitudes and sexual behaviors since the arrival of AIDS." Raymond went on to add "the work of the community-based AIDS movement is paying off. Our prevention education programs are working." Even so, Raymond cautioned, we must avoid complacency as AIDS is far from over.

More than 80% of the men surveyed that they had made a major change in their sexual practices since hearing about AIDS. However, the survey showed that men under the age of 25 were more likely to have anal intercourse without a condom as were men who were in a relationship. In cities of less than one million, 40 to 42% of survey participants reported having unprotected anal sex in the previous three months. In the 3 major cities of Vancouver, Toronto and Montreal, on the other hand, only 30 to 36% of respondents reported having had unprotected anal sex in the last three months.

The main motivation to use a condom, said survey participants, was the degree to which they felt they had control over condom usage during sex. This would indicate that the individuals need to work on self-esteem and the ability to negotiate safer sex practices with their partner.

Of the 4803 men surveyed, 65% had been tested for HIV. men between the ages of 26 and 35 were the most likely to take the test. Men 20 years or younger and those 50 or older were least likely to have been tested for HIV. The survey suggests that concerns around confidentiality and public health policies can keep men from taking the HIV antibody test. This is particularly true in those parts of Canada where anonymous testing is not available.

Overall, 11.8% of respondents knew themselves to be HIV positive. Although loneliness was the most



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significant concern for all survey respondents, men living with HIV said that several health concerns were of greater significance. men living with being HIV-positive cited problems ranging from being unable to understand medical information about AIDS 3% to feelings of uneasiness about having sex (cited by 25% of HIV positive men.)

The survey was conducted over the winter of 1991/1992. Anonymous questionnaires were distributed by volunteers from 26 community organizations along with staff, owners and volunteers from 124 venues frequented by gay and bisexual men (bars, bath houses and community dances) in 35 cities across Canada. The response rate was 86%.

respondents ranged from 16 to 75 years old and 72% reported some college or university education.

The survey was a collaboration between community organizations which serve the gay community and academic institutions, and was financed by Health and Welfare Canada under the National AIDS strategy.

A copy of this report is in the GLCCE library for viewing. For further information on this report contact the AIDS Network Society of Edmonton at 488-5742. Bulletin Board

BULLETIN BOARD

For Rent August 1: 4 bedroom main floor of house, \$650 month - DD same 7935 79 Ave. Heat included. Call 445-1735 (pager).

For Rent August 1: 4 bedroom house 9504 64 Ave., \$875 rent - DD same. Tenant pays utilities and heat. Call 445-1735 (pager).

For Rent August 1: Basement suite \$475 2 bedroom, with garage, 9763 66 Ave. Utilities included, except phone and cable. Call 448-1210.

Safer Sex for Women workshop - "Taking It to the Sheets" is available through the AIDS Network of Edmonton. Call Heather S. at 488-5742. If you have a group of friends interested in sharing a fun evening, book a workshop!

Gay and Lesbian Fathers and Mothers support group is forming in Edmonton. If interested call Gary at 426-1202.

The Roost has a charity BBQ every Saturday 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. Organizations can use this opportunity to make a little money and let Edmonton know about your organization. Call Patrick after 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday at 426-3150.

Walk For Life '93 is looking for volunteers and walkers. Penny Craig at the AIDS Network would love to hear from you. Call 488-5742.

Thank-you!

A big thank-you goes out to all who over the past months donated books to the Library. We thank-you for your generous support.

Board of Directors of G.L.C.C.E.

COMMUNITY CENTRE CORRESPONDENCE

May 31, 1993

Dear Mayor Jan Reimer,

On behalf of the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre of Edmonton, we would like to thank you for proclaiming June 26, 1993 as Gay and Lesbian Pride Day.

We understand you have come under attack for your stand on this issue. Here is some information on how the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre contributes to Edmonton. Our Centre is centrally located. We have a 24 hour phone message and information line, a 500 book library, and a community events bulletin board. We provide the lesbian, gay and bisexual community with peer counselling, a monthly newsletter, visitor services, and meeting space for various groups. The great volunteers around the centre also function as educators to our community and to Edmonton as a whole, by speaking at schools, the university and colleges. G.L.C.C.E. supports the Pink Triangle Youth Group, co-sponsors a film festival and co-ordinates the yearly Lesbian and Gay Pride festival. The Vocal Minority choral group has reformed to participate in this Pride '93 festival. Team Edmonton Gay and Lesbian Sports Association uses G.L.C.C.E. for its organizational meetings to attend the IV Gay Games and Cultural Festival in New York, representing our city.

The Community Centre is viewed as being a safe comfortable place for lesbian, gay and bisexual people to celebrate their lives, loves and sexuality. Here gay men and lesbians are free to develop friendships and acceptance of one another without fear of racial, cultural, religious, gender, sexual orientation or any other kind of prejudice. We can fully acknowledge our inherent right to express our sexuality and celebrate our various lifestyles together.

We, from G.L.C.C.E., appreciate your continuous support and hope that this information is helpful to you. If you have further questions, do not hesitate to call Candice Hood at 424-6381 or Dave Hicks at 454-6914.

David Hicks
co-chair G.L.C.C.E.

Candice Hood
co-chair G.L.C.C.E.

*For Better
or For Worse*



Dear Mr. Hicks & Ms. Hood:

Thank you so much for your supportive letter. The angry response has been overwhelming and yet the positive mail has let me know that I did the right thing. Please forgive me for not sending a handwritten note! I am overwhelmed by correspondence. Despite the controversy, perhaps Lawrence's story made people talk and think and relax their stance just a little. In any case, it's been quite an adventure. All the best. It was so good to hear from you.!

Sincerely Lynn Johnston

Drawing the Line draws a crowd at opening night

The exhibition "Drawing the Line: Lesbian sexual politics on the wall" by the Vancouver collective Kiss and Tell opened June 3 at Latitude 53 Society of Artists Gallery. The bare white walls around the interactive photography exhibit, which explores issues of censorship and sexuality, were soon marked by female viewers commenting on the images. The comments, some funny - some preachy - some raunchy, are a great part of the exhibit. These 100 black and white photographs of lesbian sexuality form a series, ranging from least to most controversial.

Susan Stewart and Persimmon Blackridge from 'Kiss and Tell' spoke on their work to a well packed room. The large noisy crowd made a question and answer period almost impossible.

A reception at Latitude 53 Gallery on June 18 from 8-10 p.m. will kick off Lesbian and Gay Pride '93. A panel discussion on "Censorship and Sexual Imagery" is slated for June 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gallery at 10137-104 St.

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Mr. Drummer can't be beat as "A Hot Time In Festival City"

Northern Chaps, Edmonton's Leather/Levi Club, will host 1993 Alberta Drummer Contest, Saturday June 19 at the Phoenix Theatre.

The name "Drummer" comes from magazine of the same name published in San Francisco directed at the leather community. The person chosen as Mr. Drummer will be a volunteer ambassador of the leather community to and within the larger lesbian and gay community.

The contest, promoted as "A Hot Time in Festival City", promises hot men and women, erotic-images and dazzling entertainment all illustrating the motto of leatherfolk: Safe, Sane and Consensual.

You do not need to be into leather to attend and enjoy the contest. Come party with the leather-clad!

P-TYE: Support for young Gays, Lesbians and Bisexuals

Being a young adult is difficult today. For young adults who are gay, lesbian, or bisexual, it's even more challenging.

The Pink Triangle Youth Group (P-TYE) is for young adults aged 16-24, who are trying to or have accepted their sexuality. You can be yourself in a comfortable and confidential atmosphere away from the bar scene. P-TYE is a non-political and non-religious organization dedicated to the support of young gay, lesbian and bisexual adults.

Respect for an individual is the key to accepting one another. P-TYE provides a forum for honest communication, workshops, learning and social activities with open and accepting peers that can foster this respect.

P-TYE meets every Saturday at 8 p.m. at GLCCE. Call 488-1574.

Want To Join Us?

- ▼ nightly coffeehouse drop-ins 7 - 10 pm weeknights
- ▼ community information line: 491-7515
- ▼ support services (confidential counselling, workshops)
- ▼ information about the lesbian and gay community in Edmonton (groups, activities, etc.)
- ▼ newsletter (mailed discretely)
- ▼ bulletin boards and referral service
- ▼ use of our lesbian / gay library, resource centre, archives, and meeting space

For more information, call us at 488-3234 or drop in to see us

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ May we contact you by phone? _____

City: _____ Do you wish to volunteer? _____

Province: _____ New member or renewal? _____

Membership (✓)

☐ \$25 (individual) ☐ \$15 student/low income (individual)

☐ \$40 (couple) ☐ \$20 student/low income (couple)

Please mail to: GLCCE, Box 1852, Edmonton, AB T5J 2P2

P.S. Any additional donations you may care to make are also gladly accepted and can be included with this membership form or sent separately.

Gay Bashing - Be Aware! Be Safe!

The Gay and Lesbian Community Centre has a new pamphlet called Gay Bashing: Be Aware! Be Safe!

The pamphlet gives you positive and effective things to do to avoid being attacked and ways to deal with potential attackers that reduce your chances of injury.

Listed are what to do if you witness an assault, what to do when trouble is occurring, and what to do if you have been assaulted. Also included is a list of questions police ask to identify suspects.

A section on being "streetwise" offers practical advice. Try to leave bars and clubs with friends, don't walk alone when you are drunk. The phone numbers of police and distress lines in Edmonton are on the back of the pamphlet.

Get this pamphlet, talk to your friends about it.

Gay & Lesbian Community Centre
of Edmonton presents:

QUEER SIGHTINGS

Lesbian and Gay Film Festival

Tickets: \$7 opening night
\$7 per showing Tues. & Wed.

\$5 for G.L.C.C.E. members

(members must purchase tickets at the Gay and Lesbian Community Centre #10411745 Jasper Avenue to receive the special members price.)

MONDAY, JUNE 21
at Zeldler Hall
9828 101a Ave at 7 p.m.

Film Festival opening
Speaker: Maureen Bradley
featured videos:

Queer Across Canada/M. Bradley 1993 10 min.
Safe Sex Is Hot Sex/M. Bradley 1992 9:40 min.
She Thrills Me/M. Bradley 1993 14:30 min.
We're Here, We're Queer, We're
Fabulous/M. Bradley 1990 28 min.

Reception to follow.

TUESDAY, JUNE 22
at N.F.B. Colln Lowe Theatre
9700 Jasper Ave 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Gay Youth/P. Walton 1992 46 min.
Disco Years/B. King 1992, 27 min.
No Regrets/M. Rios 1992 30 min.

Advance tickets at:

Gay and Lesbian
Community Centre
#10411745 Jasper Ave. 488-3234
Mon - Fri. 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.
and Wed. afternoons at 1 to 4 p.m.

Boystown Cafe
and Gallery
10116 124 St.
Mon - Fri. 10 a.m. to midnight
Sat. and Sun. 11 a.m. to midnight

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23
at N.F.B. Colin Lowe Theatre
9700 Jasper Ave 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Loverville/B. Zachary 1992, 6 min.
Changing Our Minds: The Story
of Evelyn Hooker/75 min.